

# ENTERTAINMENT

## Performance highlights Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Mixed Blood Theatre's celebration of the life and career of Dr. Martin Luther King, drawn from his own writings, including his "I Have A Dream" speech, and told through a solo performance by Shawn Hamilton. is coming to Borderland.

The performance is set to begin at 2 p.m. Feb. 17 at Rainy River Community College. The event is sponsored by the college's student ambassadors.

Based in Minneapolis, Mixed Blood Theatre's performance, "Dr. King's Dream," celebrates the life and career of King, according to a news release.

King led American society through some of its most profound changes with passion, devotion, and courage, the release said. This biography strives to illuminate why he is recognized as one of the greatest leaders and orators in American history and why he is honored with a national holiday each January.

Hamilton's solo performance is stirring and poignant, the release continued. He has been a mainstay in Twin Cities theater, including many roles at the Children's, History, and Illusion Theatres and more than a dozen at the Guthrie Theater.

He was the first to tour



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

"Dr. King's Dream" by Mixed Blood Theatre is coming to Rainy River Community College at 2 p.m. Feb. 17.

### If you go

**What:** Dr. King's Dream by Mixed Blood Theatre  
**When:** 2 p.m. Feb. 17  
**Where:** Rainy River Community College  
**Cost:** Free

Eagle, a role he is again playing this season. He has appeared in several of Mixed Blood's Minneapolis productions, including Six Degrees of Separation, Help, and Birth of the Boom.

Dr. King's Dream is one of four culturally-specific productions toured this season by Mixed Blood Theatre.

Admission to the event is free.

for Mixed Blood as astronaut Ron McNair in Black

## TONIC SOL-FA PERFORMS



STAFF PHOTO BY EMILY GEDDE

Greg Bannwarth, left, and Shaun Johnson of Tonic Sol-fa, an a cappella group, performed last week at Backus Community Center as part of the Backus Concert Series. Several people gathered at the community center for an evening of music, dancing and a little humor between Johnson and Sloughgrass member Soren Olesen.

## Icebox Radio to host festival

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An annual theater festival is returning to Icebox Radio Theater.

The third annual Bundled Up Theater Festival, which is a live Internet broadcast, will feature two original plays and two classics of old-time radio. The event starts at 7 p.m. Feb. 28.

Suspense is the theme of this year's festival, according to a news release, and ghost stories, eerie curses and murder is on the menu. The festival lineup includes:

■ "Cat Wife" from "Lights Out." In the heat of an argument a man calls his wife a "heartless cat" over and over so convincingly that a bizarre transformation takes place. When the neighbors come complaining about the loud

cat that's moved in, the man is faced with a horrible choice.

■ "Footprints" is a world premiere from the IBRT. When a writer retreats to the family cabin to try and get her career back on track, the local ghost story seems like the perfect inspiration — until unexplained footprints start appearing under her window. Is her imagination out of control? Or is there something to be afraid of in the woods?

■ "Bush Pilot" is another world premiere from the IBRT. When much of the north was still unexplored, intrepid bush pilots connected remote communities with vital mail and supplies. But it was never easy flying the frozen north, and it took a unique brand of man to do the job safely. Meet Mark

### More information

The Bundled Up Theatre Festival is an annual fundraiser for the Icebox Radio Theater, for more information, visit <http://www.iceboxradio.org/content/bundled-theatre-festival-suspense>

Black: Bush Pilot in the first two episodes of this new IBRT series.

■ "The Strange Sisters" from "The Whistler," is tale of three sisters, one who inherited their father's money, and another who manipulates the third one into a plan for murder in this classic episode from the golden age of radio.

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**When:** February 16, 2015 • 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Backus Community Center  
900 - 5th Street, International Falls, MN 56649  
**Registration:** 7:00 a.m.

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**Continuing Education**  
This seminar has been approved for 7 hours CEU, including 1-hr Energy Code, by the MN Department of Labor & Industry.

Residential contractors, Building inspectors, Building officials, and Architects and designers are encouraged to attend.

**INSTRUCTOR**  
Andy Schreder, Building Official  
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**FEES AND REGISTRATION**

The fee of \$100.00 includes instructions, course materials, lunch and breaks. Make check payable to Backus Community Center in the amount of \$100.00 if submitted by January 31, 2015. Registration after this date is \$125.00 and will be accepted up to one week before the seminar (February 16, 2015). Walk-in registration will be accepted on a space available basis, with a registration fee of \$140.00

Registration can also be made by calling 218-285-7225 or registration forms may be picked up at Backus Community Center Office, Northern Lumber, and Falls Lumber. Or can be found at [www.backusab.org](http://www.backusab.org) Please return registration forms to Backus Community Center, 900 5th Street, International Falls, MN 56649. Please call 218-285-7225 for questions. Credit Card accepted.

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